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THEY WANT HELP TOO

Trans-Mississippians Discussed Bounties for Farmers.

One Delegate Says They Deserve Them as Well as Others.

NOT READY FOR IT.

Bryan Doesn't Think Such a Plan Would be Expedient.

Farmer Needs Less Protection Instead of More.

St. Louis, Nov. 28.—With the opening of the morning session of the Trans-Mississippi Congress the California delegation under a special order allotting two hours to a discussion of staple agriculture, opened a debate upon a proposition to favor a bounty upon exported agricultural products, which can not be aided by a protective tariff, so long as manufacturers receive such protection. The proposition was in the form of a minority report from the committee on resolutions, the majority having voted to refuse to place such a recommendation in the report to be made by it.

After some time spent in solving parliamentary problems, Delegate L. H. of California, in a brief address, urged that the farmers, not from a protection or a free trade standpoint, were entitled to government aid as a matter of justice so long as manufacturers were aided. This aid, by virtue of agricultural products being of an export, not an import character, the only method of aid was by bounty on exports.

Delegate Frank J. Cannon of Utah, for the majority of the resolution committee, opened the opposition, declaring his belief that such a proposition could only aggravate the ill of the farmers and only increase the responsibilities of the government; that it was impracticable in that no such bounty could be made equally just to all farmers, not questioning the assertion that the bounty would ultimately reach the farmer. He opposed it also because it was class legislation.

Wilson of South Dakota also opposed the proposition from a similar standpoint as did also delegate W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, who further argued that the subject was not one of general discussion in the Trans-Mississippi congress, or any considerable degree anywhere, and therefore was not sufficiently digested by the people to warrant action by the congress upon it. Help to the farmer lay not in extending the vicious system, but in keeping it down.

After some further debate, the resolution and the matter in general was referred to the next session of this congress.

The congress then took the usual noon recess.

ATHERTON'S ASSISTANT.

Shall It Be Harry Overholt or George W. Newcomb?

State Treasurer-elect, this L. Atherton has not yet announced the appointment of the assistant state treasurer.

The strongest rivalry for that position seems to be between the present incumbent, George M. Newcomb, who was in the office under Ex-Treasurer S. G. Stover, and who, on account of his fitness for the position, was retained by the present Treasurer W. H. Biddle, and Harry E. Overholt, a brother-in-law of Lieut. Governor-elect James A. Troutman, and who was formerly teller of the Kansas National bank.

One of Mr. Newcomb's strongest backers is J. H. Burton, who was influential in his being retained as assistant to Treasurer Biddle. Mr. Overholt's friends are still confident that he will be named for the position, but Mr. Newcomb's managers also think they have a cinch on the job. The salary of this position is \$1,700 a year, which is an excess of any which the other state officers' assistants receive.

GROVER IN HIS SHIRT.

Thought He Must Be Sick, When He Saw Him.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—The venerable Gardiner G. Hubbard, president of the National Geographic society, is President Cleveland's nearest neighbor out on the Woodley road. Monday night some one called him up on the telephone, saying that there was a report that Mr. Cleveland was very ill and asked if he knew anything about it. Mr. Hubbard said he did not, and would be so obliging as to send somebody over to inquire. "They have a telephone at Woodley," said Mr. Hubbard, "why don't you use that?" "Am afraid of disturbing the family," was the reply.

Mr. Hubbard is a good-natured man, and he sent Grandison, his coachman, over to make an inquiry. In a few moments Grandison returned, saying he is coachman of great dignity and correct notions, informed Mr. Hubbard, in great excitement, that the president was well, but that something might be the matter with him, because he was wandering about the house in his shirt.

INVADING INDIANS.

The Utes Are Marching Into San Juan County, Utah.

DEERBECK, Col., Nov. 28.—The southern Ute Indians, who have invaded San Juan county, Utah, are said to have left the southern Ute agency, not Los Pinos, as stated in the Salt Lake dispatches last night, under instructions of Colonel D. F. Day, Indian agent at Ignacio years ago, by which the Utes agreed to abandon their present reservation in Colorado for a new one in Utah. Ever since the treaty was made the Indians have been impatient to move.

Sending Armenians Arms.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A Moscow dispatch to the Chronicle says it is stated that the Armenians in the Caucasus are sending large consignments of arms to their brethren in Turkey in order to assist the rebellious feeling.

TWO USELESS POSITIONS.

One of Which Seems to Be to Watch the Cows in State House Yard.

There are two positions at the state house which exist without any authority of law, according to a former state house employe, who has been looking up the records on the jobs which may fall to the lot of fortunate Republicans during the next few weeks. These two positions are state house guide and superintendent of state house grounds.

When these places were created by the executive council the first appointees were paid out of the executive council's contingent fund, but afterwards the legislature made an appropriation to pay the salaries. The state house guide is paid but \$25 a month or \$300 a year while the superintendent of state house grounds gets \$300 a year.

If any one should enjoy the payment of these salaries, it is said, the places would have to be vacated.

The present superintendent of state house grounds is Fletcher Oliver of Bourbon county, and Rev. E. Herrington of Topeka is the guide. The superintendent's duties are to "take a look" at the state house grounds about once a week. The \$300 is so much money thrown away.

LONG LOST CHARLIE ROSS?

A Charles Ross Dies on a Santa Fe Train at La Junta.

LA JUNTA, Col., Nov. 28.—A traveler from southern California died on the train from the south just after reaching this place last evening. The porter of the car in which he died says the sick man told him that he had been operated on for a cancer and was on his way to a Denver hospital.

He had no friends with him and he was riding on a charity ticket on which he had signed his name Charles Ross. He was dressed in plain workman's clothes and was about 55 years old. As he had no friends with him he will be buried in the potter's field.

A paper in his pocket bore the name of Charles H. Ross, 615 South Spring street, Los Angeles, Calif. So far as known there is no truth in a report which was started to the effect that the man said before he died that he was the long lost Charlie Ross.

CARNEGIE A HUMBUG.

Senator Sherman Says He Was Responsible for Cleveland's Election.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—Are the times worse now than when you were secretary of the treasury? asked a reporter of Senator John Sherman today.

"No," replied the Senator, "there was no worse panic than that following Jay Cooke's failure. It was a panic without much money in the country. This is a panic with plenty of money. I told President Hayes that he did not go away enough. He did go several times, even went as far as California. You know that Jefferson and Madison, too, would leave this city and go to their respective farms and stay there for months. Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Harrison before him mismanaged the nature of his office, which is social, outlooking, assuring and ceremonial."

"Do you think the president has any great occasion to reorganize our currency or, as he calls it, to reform the currency?"

"No. He is not probable to better it. He must commence at the other end and restore our revenue and then his special reserve will not be touched upon. Cleveland made the situation which Carlisle staggers under."

"Carnegie says this is a great mistake of Cleveland—to reform the currency."

"I think Carnegie is a good deal of a humbug. He has been making Cleveland angry by starting a conflict with his labor."

HAS NOT WITHDRAWN.

Major Hood is Still in the Hands of His Friends—A Candidate.

The Kansas City Times today received the following special from Emporia in reference to Major Calvin Hood's senatorial candidacy:

EMPORIA, Kas., Nov. 27.—The story alleging that Major Calvin Hood of this city had withdrawn from the senatorial race reached this city this evening. Your correspondent is authorized to state there is no truth in it.

Ex-Governor C. V. Eskridge, editor of the Emporia Republican, was seen, and states that he had a conversation with Major Hood, and that he had no intention of withdrawing he certainly would have let him know. Eskridge further stated that Major Hood was in the hands of his friends, and has so stated, that had he intended to withdraw he certainly would have let him know the fact.

Fred C. Newman, a son-in-law of Major Hood, was also seen, and stated that the major had not withdrawn and would not withdraw until after a United States senator had been selected by the legislature; that he had seen Major Hood only a few minutes before your correspondent called, and he positively knew he was in the race.

Major Hood had been called out to see one of his friends who was ill a short time previous, and it was impossible to see him tonight.

TO END IN KANSAS.

A New Railroad to Run From El Paso Into This State.

EL PASO, Texas, Nov. 28.—The city council has granted a franchise for building and operating within the city limits the El Paso, Mexican and Chicago railroad.

The road is to run from El Paso to White Oaks, N. M., thence in some point in Kansas to tap the Rock Island.

It is believed the Rock Island people will not be enterprise. The franchise provides that 100 miles of road shall be in operation by Dec. 1, 1897.

Little Case Goes to the Jury.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 28.—A special to the Star from Olathe says Judge Little, brother of the defendant, closed the argument in the A. W. Little case on the part of the defense yesterday. The closing argument for the prosecution closed at 11:30 this morning when the case was given in to the hands of the jury.

A BIG RAILROAD.

A New Line to be Built from New York to Chicago.

An English Syndicate Will Take \$150,000,000 of Bonds.

ASK GOVERNMENT AID.

Will Ask United States to Endorse the Bonds.

In Return it Will be Given 51 Per Cent of the Stock.

MAUCH CHUNG, Pa., Nov. 28.—The Atlantic and Pacific railroad construction company, a corporation chartered in the state of Illinois, and the kind which it is said, there is a powerful English syndicate, has had a corps of sixteen engineers at work here for a week surveying their line through Carbon county and Mauch Chunk.

The railway is to be an air line across the continent from New York to San Francisco and passes through Chicago, which city will be brought within thirteen hours of New York and San Francisco 45 hours of New York. The English syndicate, it is said, will take one hundred and fifty million dollars worth of the bonds and have placed a bill in the hands of the Congress-man Childs of Illinois, asking the government endorsement of the bonds, in return for which the railway company is to turn over 51 per cent of its capital stock to the government.

The survey is now completed from the Mississippi to the Delaware river, and the construction is to begin next spring, and the division between New York and Chicago finished within five years.

PRANKS OF A CRAZY MAN.

When He Wanted Silk Dresses for His Horses They Suspected Him.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Nov. 28.—Residents of the little town of Hebron have been greatly excited for the past week over the appearance of a man giving his name as Geo. Little of Chicago. He arrived in this town with a team of horses several days ago. He put his team up at the hotel livery stable, and made it known to the proprietor that he was one of the wealthiest men in Chicago.

The next morning he made arrangements to buy ten large farms. After leading several that suited him he ordered twenty-five head of horses and 400 steers of Nelson Morris.

Up to this date he was thought to be all right, but when he went to the millinery store and ordered two silk dresses for his horses he was then thought to be deranged.

Then when he was questioned it was found that he was once worth \$50,000 in Chicago real estate, but was swindled out of it, which caused him to become crazed. Several abstracts of land were made out to him before the people discovered the fraud in his condition. All the material including the horses, cows, wagons, etc., were delivered at the hotel.

After the authorities found he was crazy, they sent him out of town. He left the village late last night, with a mule cart and a basket bag filled with cash. He was seen by a neighbor, who told him he could not take his horses, as he had no money with which to pay his hotel bill.

SYMPATHY FOR BISMARCK

Letters Received From Emperor William and Others to the Chancellor.

BERLIN, Nov. 28.—The remains of Princess Bismarck will be interred at Varzen. The funeral will be of a quiet and simple character. Prince Bismarck has received many messages of condolence from all parts, including words of sympathy from Emperor William, the Empress Frances Joseph of Austria, the dowager Empress Frederick, Prince Hohenzollern, Sigmar Crisp, the Italian Premier Count Raimondo, the Austrian premier, the crown prince of Denmark, Prince Leopold, regent of Bavaria, the grand duke of Baden, the king of Saxony, Ex-Chancellor Von Caprivi, and the Bremen senate and most of the German princes and nobles.

TAFFY FOR KOHLISAT.

Pullitzer Says Kohlisaat Has "Upset Newspaper Traditions."

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—A Washington man who was in London last summer tells of an incident that occurred there. Herman H. Kohlisaat, of Chicago, was in the city, and Joseph Pulitzer, of the New York World, who has one of his four houses in London, the others being in New York, Paris and Bar Harbor, entertained the young Chicagoan at dinner.

Afterward they took a drive in Hyde Park, and during the excursion Mr. Pulitzer asked his guest all sorts of questions concerning the methods which he had used in building up the Chicago newspaper, which he had so recently owned. Mr. Kohlisaat had nothing to conceal and told the whole story, and at its conclusion Mr. Pulitzer turned in his seat, looked Kohlisaat in the face as best he could with his nearly blind eyes and said: "Young man, you have upset every tradition of the newspaper business that I once had faith in. I don't know whether I am glad to have met you or not."

Charge Against Diver Filled.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The charges against Police Justice Diver were filed today in the court of common pleas. They charge neglect of duty and other misconduct. It is also charged that Diver was accustomed to divide with one Edward Farnley Jones the proceeds of a "green goods" game.

MAKES POPS FEEL GOOD.

Figures of Their Vote—What Quay Says of Them.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—Senator Matthew Stanley Quay of Pennsylvania, and Senator James Smith, Jr., of New Jersey, who have studied the matter very closely, say that it is not at all improbable that all the western delegates in the next national conventions may withdraw in a body if they are unable to secure declarations in favor of free coinage.

The appended table shows the vote for Populist candidates in 1894 a total gain of 6,000,000. The figures are in many cases official. In others they are not. In some states the boards of canvassers will not meet until the middle of December.

In the states in which no official returns are obtainable correspondents have made very careful estimates based on the returns by counties. This work has been done so carefully that the grand total will not vary more than 2,000 or 3,000 at the most from the official figures. Here is the vote by states:

State	1894
Alabama	183,283
Arkansas	115,401
California	571,510
Colorado	98,890
Connecticut	1,540
Delaware	500
Florida	4,800
Georgia	90,888
Idaho	6,979
Illinois	139,300
Indiana	29,721
Iowa	34,850
Kansas	118,329
Kentucky	18,142
Louisiana	53,276
Maine	5,321
Maryland	61,290
Massachusetts	6,200
Michigan	95,000
Minnesota	87,645
Mississippi	12,090
Missouri	42,100
Montana	2,270
Nebraska	80,978
Nevada	28,200
New Hampshire	510
New Jersey	7,230
New York	125,500
North Carolina	154,600
North Dakota	8,294
Ohio	49,495
Oregon	25,608
Pennsylvania	19,494
Rhode Island	282
South Carolina	98,585
South Dakota	27,300
Tennessee	28,000
Texas	160,000
Vermont	5,000
Virginia	739
Washington	10,327
West Virginia	42,000
Wisconsin	3,407
Wyoming	27,141
Totals	1,639,887

*These totals are estimated in part.

†For governor in August.

AN INSANE CENTER RUSH.

A Student Injured at Football Went Crazy and Frightened His Schoolmates.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Barney Foote, a student at the Fairfield seminary, seven miles from this village, was taken violently insane Sunday night, the result of an injury in a football game. The faculty of the school have done everything possible to prevent the matter becoming public.

Foote was center rush for the seminary eleven, and was a good player. On Saturday the team played at Fort Plain against the strong team of the Clinton Liberal Institute. An injury to the head which Foote then received caused so slight that nothing was thought of it at the time. On Sunday night Foote arose and dressed himself in his football suit. He grabbed his room mate and threw him violently to the floor. The latter, perceiving that he had to do with a maniac, called for help. Before assistance came Foote jumped upon him in a wordless manner. Several students rushed into the room and Foote grabbed his valise and threw it at the leader, saying: "Now catch the ball and go around the end." The student was knocked down. The maniac then grabbed a water pail and an oil can and held them over the students at bay. They were greatly frightened and they made for their rooms and locked the doors. One student who was in the hallway, was pursued by Foote, and to escape him jumped from a second story window, thirty feet to the ground, hurting his knees.

Foote amused himself until daylight by lining up against the doors, and, with his valise for the football, rushing and knocking them from their hinges. He guarded the stairs, and would not let any one near him. Finally the football team lined up below, and Foote, seeing them, went down and took his place as center. Then a constable grabbed him from behind and bound him.

His parents came from their home at Deansville, Madison county, N. Y., and took him to the Utica insane asylum.

DIDN'T INVESTIGATE.

Turks Instead of Inquiring Into Outrages Looked Up Armenian Brigands.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A Constantinople correspondent of the Standard telegraphs: The Turkish commission appointed to inquire into the Armenian outrages have sat on board the French steamer, La Bourdonnais, from Trebizonde. Instead of inquiring into the conduct of the Turkish officials, we are told that the commission have been instructed to investigate the acts of Armenian brigands.

GOLD POURED IN.

Clocks at the Subtreasury Were Kept Busy Counting \$28,000,000.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The World today says: Gold fairly poured into the subtreasury in Wall street yesterday. From early morning until long after banking hours and far into the night, clerks and particularly the receiving officials and special watchmen were working like beavers gathering in the gold. In all about \$28,000,000 came, although the actual amount has not been estimated, and is lying in bags awaiting the attention of the counters who had come from Washington to assist the treasurer.

TRAITOROUS LI.

Premier of the Chinese Empire Detected in a Plot

To Overthrow the Government of His Country.

GUILTY OF TREASON.

Charged by 150 Leading Chinese Nobles

With Aiding the Japanese in Their Advance.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—According to dispatches from Shanghai, a sensation was caused there by a memorial to the throne, signed by over 150 high officials, impeaching Li Hung Chang, and charging him with corruption, peculation and deception.

The memorial also says that Li Hung Chang rejoiced at the Japanese victories, and prevented the Chinese from achieving success. He is said to have represented that China was prepared for war, when he knew the contrary was the case. Li Hung Chang is also said to be implicated with Prince Kung, the emperor's uncle and president of the Tsung Li Yamen and president of the admiralty, who was recently appointed dictator, and with the Taitow Wu and the commander of the Chinese forces at Port Arthur. These three officials are said by the signers of the memorial to be guilty of high treason and of selling state secrets and war material to the enemy. They were further charged with investing money in Japan, with harboring reasonable designs against the Chinese empire and with conspiring to procure the overthrow of China. The memorial demands the instant punishment and dismissal of all concerned in the conspiracy.

WILL SUE FOR PEACE.

China to Send an Envoy to Japan at Once It Is Said.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A dispatch to the Times from Tien Tsen says that Manchuria is in an unsettled condition. There is a general exodus of the inhabitants. Alarm is being caused by disbanded or retreating Chinese soldiers. Robbery is prevalent. Traffic is suspended. Fugitive peasants are hurrying to the English settlements for safety.

A Shanghai dispatch to the Times says it is reported that the government is going to send an envoy direct to Japan to negotiate for peace.

BAD TIMES IN FRANCE.

Free Traders Say It Is the Result of the Protective Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—There appears to be a curious resemblance between the commercial situation in France and that in the United States, arising from diametrically opposite causes as set forth in the report to the interior department by Steven Angell, United States commercial agent at Roubaix. He quotes from a leading French authority as follows:

"The commercial situation is grave, or it appears to be, which is the same thing for the general public. There are protectionists and free traders, and of whom seek the solution according to their respective views of the financial policy now in force, which is decidedly a protectionist one. The financial crisis is contemporaneous with the inauguration of the new tariff and the supporters of the tariff, United States, explain the fact from the commencement of the year 1892, which was the date of the enactment of the new tariff, until September 1894, there was a falling off in exports of more than 6,899 million francs."

"Bad times exist. They began with the new tariff. Therefore the tariff is the cause. Such is the reasoning which the free traders put forward, but the protectionists point to the fact that France does not suffer alone from the diminution of the exports; that England, a country with a free trade policy, has suffered as well, and that the depression, which exists in France is experienced everywhere."

"It is generally admitted nevertheless, that the tariff is responsible for the falling off of 699 million francs in exports to Spain and 80 million to Switzerland during these thirty-six months. The result is that the free traders and sufferers from the depression in general are crying out loudly and are demanding a change in the existing legislation."

ROTHSCHILD'S CONFERENCE.

Gold for the American Loan Already in the Syndicate's Hands.

LONDON, Nov. 28.—A dispatch to the Standard from Vienna says that the Rothschild syndicate is about to confer here as to whether it is opportune to place the last currency reform loan of 64,000,000 florins on the market. It is stated that the gold for the American loan is already in the hands of the syndicate.

NOT A LIQUOR HOLIDAY.

Saloons May Dispense Goods on Memorial Day in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 28.—The supreme court, in a case appealed from Jay county, has handed down an opinion declaring that the law making May 30th a holiday does not apply to the selling of intoxicating liquors, but only to commercial and banking transactions. The judgment of the lower court quashing the indictment of a man for selling liquor on Memorial day was therefore affirmed.

Republicans Lost Votes.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Nov. 28.—Although the Republicans lost votes in every district, Frank Olney was elected mayor by about 280 plurality. The Republicans also elected the harbor master while the city overseers of the poor are Democrats.

NAT GOODWIN NOT DRUNK.

Street Robber Wrote a Letter Saying He Wasn't.

CHICAGO, Nov. 28.—The Inter Ocean publishes the following in relation to the statement by several Chicago papers that Nat Goodwin was drunk:

Will you kindly allow me to express my regret that the trifling incident of Mr. Nat Goodwin's appearance on the stage of the Chicago opera house last evening should have occasioned a careless misrepresentation of fact on the part of several daily papers. Mr. Goodwin was not in the least under the influence of stimulants, and whatever blame is to be attached to the circumstance I must claim for myself. Just previous to my entrance at the end of act second of "Leap Year" he came to see me in my dressing room. He was on his way to his train and called to give me a hurried "good-by." As I was about to go on the stage he laughingly said, "shall I go on with you?" I replied, "try it if you dare." Judge of my surprise when just as the curtain was about to fall he stepped out and greeted me with, "Can I assist you in any way?" My company were vastly amused at his appearance, and when the act was over he made himself delightfully agreeable to several of its members. But he would not discuss the slightest sign of uncertainty in his deportment. This is a simple statement of the case, and I am sure the thousands of people who admire the geniality and genius of this great-hearted man and marvelous actor will be slow to believe that he would so willingly sacrifice their esteem and affection.

MONSTER OCEAN BALLOON.

Prof. Samuel A. King Says He Will Cross the Ocean.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 28.—Prof. Samuel A. King, the astronomer, proposes to signalize "Trades Week" in May next, under the auspices of the Philadelphia "Trades" league, by ascending from this city in a monster balloon, and starting on a voyage across the ocean that may take weeks to accomplish. The balloon is to have a capacity of upwards of 500,000 cubic feet of hydrogen gas. It will carry three cars, an aluminum lifeboat, a 5,000-pound drag rope, provisions and water for three months, an outfit of life-preserving suits, a full set of nautical and meteorological instruments, arctic and antarctic light suits, a stove, fuel and cooking utensils, fishing tackle, guns and ammunition, presents for receiving a good will of the people of any land, 15,000 pounds of sand ballast, and finally a crew sufficient for the management of the great airship.

FIVE MILLIONS TAKEN.

That Many Bonds Sold and the Price Goes Up.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The bond syndicate announces that the first \$5,000,000 of bonds offered at 119 has been sold and the price has now been advanced to 119 1/2.

The sub-treasury has received up to noon today a little over \$40,000,000 gold in payment for bond subscriptions.

New York banks lose by subtreasury operations today \$29,947,084, against a loss of \$10,262,084 yesterday. Loss in the bank surplus will appear in the weekly statement as an increase in the item of loans, as the banks draw interest at 5 per cent from the time the gold is deposited in the subtreasury.

THE JUDGE WOULDN'T ACT.

He Refused to Empanel a Grand Jury To Indict Cook and Coit.

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 28.—Some of the persons at Washington Court House who desire to have Sheriff Cook and Col. Coit indicted asked Judge Maynard of that place to empanel a special grand jury, but he said he would not unless the prosecuting attorney requested it. This did not occur today but some time ago and has just leaked out, the persons asking for the jury being anxious to suppress the fact.

FREE FROM PLEDGES.

John Seaton of Atchison Sends a Circular to Members of Legislature.

John Seaton of Atchison, one of the oldest members of the legislature, who was spoken of as a candidate for speaker until he announced that he would not be a candidate, has addressed a circular to all the members of the next house.

In this circular, Representative Seaton advises all the members to guard against making pledges which may interfere with legislation on the floor of the house. He suggests that often some member will be so disappointed over failing to win in his fight for some of the elective offices that it will injure his party in transacting the regular business of the house.

He says it will be better for the party and for all concerned if the members all come to Topeka free from any pledges. Mr. Seaton is in favor of the candidacy of Col. Alexander Warner for speaker, and this circular is construed as a part of the Warner campaign.</